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For: METHOD OF DETECTING DEFECTIVE PIXELS OF A
SOLID-STATE IMAGE-PICKUP DEVICE AND IMAGE-
PICKUP APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC §119 AND 37 CFR § 1.55,
 Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on Patent
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